

NDDDES NEWS

Grants and Training Section

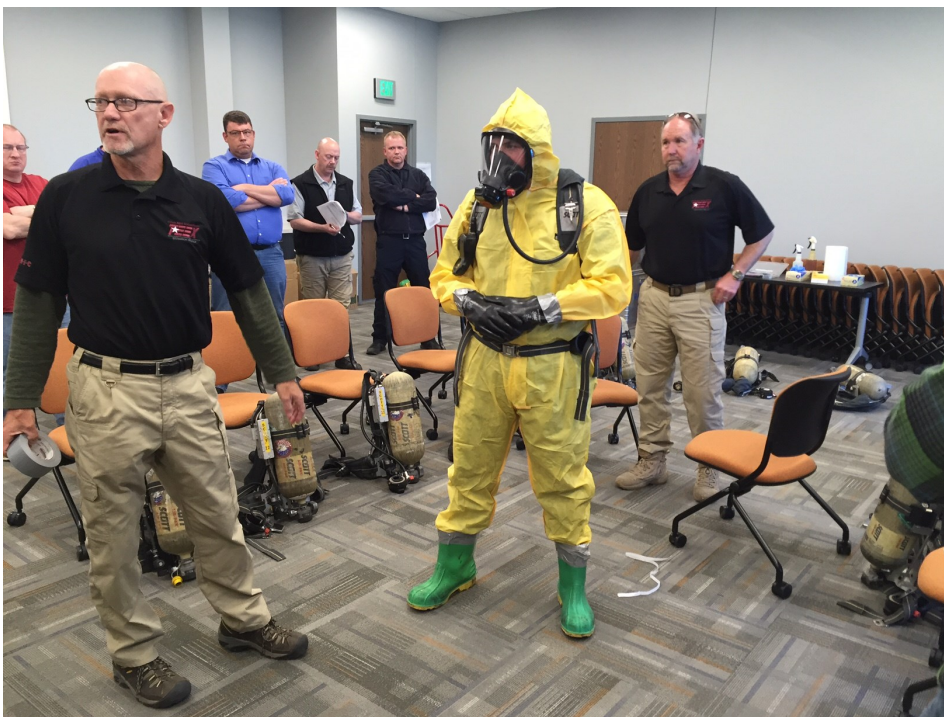
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Section Chief Notes

The motto of the Los Angeles Community Emergency Response Team reflects the purpose of our grant programs, training offerings, and exercise requirements. The various grant programs provide the opportunity to fill gaps to ensure that when disaster strikes - be it natural, manmade, adversarial, or technological - our response organizations are ready to respond.

We received several million dollars in grant applications over the past month. Unfortunately, we were not able to fund all of the projects, but those we are able to finance will help sustain, enhance, and build the capabilities of various responder disciplines across the state. In this issue, you will find the list of allocations for the FY 2014 SHSP Supplemental and the FY 2016 SHSP. The FY 2016 SHSP subawards will be issued sometime this fall after NDDDES receives the actual federal award.

“You can’t predict...but you can prepare” – the motto of the Los Angeles Community Emergency Response Team



TEEX HazMat Operations Training—April 1-3—Williston

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FY 2014 Supplemental SHSP Allocations

Applicant	County	Total Allocated
Metro Area Ambulance	Burleigh	\$ 13,854.00
Dickey County Sheriff	Dickey	\$ 3,042.46
Eddy County Sheriff's Office	Eddy	\$ 4,750.00
Linton Fire District	Emmons	\$ 3,081.46
Foster County EM	Foster	\$ 339.50
Grand Forks County Sheriff	Grand Forks	\$ 8,452.00
LaMoure County	LaMoure	\$ 11,000.00
McLean County EM	McLean	\$ 11,043.00
Garrison-Max Ambulance District	McLean	\$ 16,329.00
Mountrail County Sheriff's Office	Mountrail	\$ 2,306.25
New Town Police Department	Mountrail	\$ 3,764.25
Parshall Volunteer Fire	Mountrail	\$ 1,536.98
Plaza Volunteer Fire	Mountrail	\$ 3,067.50
Powers Lake Volunteer Fire	Mountrail	\$ 1,536.98
Stanley Volunteer Fire	Mountrail	\$ 1,616.78
Stanley School District	Mountrail	\$ 14,682.00
Oliver County	Oliver	\$ 15,500.00
Pembina County EM	Pembina	\$ 4,600.00
Pierce County EM	Pierce	\$ 12,000.00
Dickinson Fire Department	Stark	\$ 15,975.00
Steele County EM	Steele	\$ 5,000.00
Egeland Fire Department	Towner	\$ 14,030.00
Community Ambulance Service of Minot	Ward	\$ 5,000.00
Fessenden Ambulance	Wells	\$ 4,875.00
Harvey Fire Department	Wells	\$ 1,550.00
Bowdon Ambulance Service	Wells	\$ 1,800.00
Fessenden Police Department	Wells	\$ 6,615.00
Bowdon Fire Department	Wells	\$ 9,000.00
Total Allocated		\$196,347.16

FY 2016 Local SHSP Allocations

Applicant	County	Total Allocated
Adams County	Adams	\$ 25,000.00
Benson County	Benson	\$ 18,280.00
City Wilton	Burleigh	\$ 12,000.00
Burleigh County EM - CERT	Burleigh	\$ 4,000.00
Burleigh County EM	Burleigh	\$ 10,000.00
Bismarck Police Dept.	Burleigh	\$ 60,000.00
Fargo-Cass Public Health	Cass	\$ 28,100.00
Cavalier County - City of Langdon	Cavalier	\$ 47,000.00
Dunn County EM	Dunn	\$ 30,000.00
Community Ambulance Service of New Rockford	Eddy	\$ 14,495.00
Eddy County EM	Eddy	\$ 3,963.30
Linton Fire District	Emmons	\$ 6,000.00
Foster County EM - Carrington Police Department	Foster	\$ 2,846.50
Foster County EM	Foster	\$ 5,070.67
Grant County	Grant	\$ 12,000.00
Kidder County	Kidder	\$ 19,000.00
City of LaMoure	LaMoure	\$ 2,900.00
City of Edgeley	LaMoure	\$ 14,700.00
LaMoure County	LaMoure	\$ 10,800.00
Logan County	Logan	\$ 27,000.00
Logan County	Logan	\$ 6,000.00
McHenry County EM	McHenry	\$ 207,844.00
Mercer County Sheriff	Mercer	\$ 17,500.00
Sakakawea Medical Center	Mercer	\$ 45,000.00
CHI Lisbon Health	Ransom	\$ 62,352.50
City of Lisbon	Ransom	\$ 8,500.00
City of Enderlin	Ransom	\$ 6,000.00
City of Great Bend	Richland	\$ 16,500.00
City of Fairmount	Richland	\$ 16,500.00
City of Walcott	Richland	\$ 16,500.00
City of Wyndmere	Richland	\$ 16,500.00
City of Dwight	Richland	\$ 16,500.00
City of Wahpeton	Richland	\$ 28,000.00
City of Colfax	Richland	\$ 16,500.00
Steele County EM	Steele	\$ 16,785.00
North Star School	Towner	\$ 9,739.57
Unity Medical Center	Walsh	\$ 43,700.00
Minto Public School	Walsh	\$ 98,167.96
Grafton Public School District	Walsh	\$ 55,470.00
Minot Public School District #1	Ward	\$ 134,785.50
City of Harvey	Wells	\$ 71,000.00
Total Allocated		\$ 1,263,000.00

FY 2016 Regional SHSP Allocations

Applicant	County	Region	Allocation
Grand Forks Fire Department	Grand Forks	NE	\$100,055.00
Grand Forks Police Department	Grand Forks	NE	\$133,300.00
Devils Lake Fire Department	Ramsey	NE	\$8,202.00
Minot Fire Department	Ward	NW	\$150,491.00
Minot Police Dept/Bomb Team	Ward	NW	\$99,240.00
Williston Fire Department	Williams	NW	\$109,120.00
Fargo Fire Department	Cass	SE	\$208,810.00
Red River Valley Bomb Squad	Cass	SE	\$17,415.00
Jametown Fire Department	Stutsman	SE	\$3,387.00
Bismarck Fire Department	Burleigh	SW	\$184,632.00
Bismarck Police Department	Burleigh	SW	\$42,000.00
Burleigh County Sheriff	Burleigh	SW	\$54,265.00
Mercer County Dive Team	Mercer	SW	\$15,900.00
Dickinson Fire Department	Stark	SW	\$15,573.18
Dickinson PD/SW Tactical Team	Stark	SW	\$32,375.00
Total Allocated			\$1,174,765.18



TEEN CERT—*Photograph by Tonya Jahner*

Citizen Corps Program (CCP)

“You can’t predict...but you can prepare” – the motto of the Los Angeles Community Emergency Response Team is straight to the point. Since no one knows what the future will bring, we can all get ready, whether it is as an individual or as a community. That is the purpose of the Citizens Corps, and more specifically, the Community Emergency Response Team program.

So what is the Citizens Corps and where did it come from? In his 2002 State of the Union address, President George W. Bush issued a call to all Americans to engage in volunteer service, and created the USA Freedom Corps. Through the change in presidential administrations, the Freedom Corps has evolved into the Citizen Corps. The Citizen Corps is coordinated nationally by the Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency. The mission of Citizen Corps is to harness the power of every individual through education, training, and volunteer service to make communities safer, stronger, and better prepared to respond to the threats of terrorism, crime, public health issues, and disasters of all kinds. The Citizens Corps consists of 5 programs: Community Emergency Response Team, or CERT, and within that, Teen CERT; Fire Corps; National Neighborhood Watch; Volunteers in Police Service; and the Medical Reserve Corps.—continued on next page

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The largest of these programs is CERT & Teen CERT. CERT has its origins with the Los Angeles Fire Department. In 1985, a group of city officials traveled to Japan to study its extensive earthquake preparedness plans. In September of that year, another team was sent to Mexico City, following an earthquake there that registered 8.1 on the Richter scale. This quake caused the deaths of at least 5,000 people, with some estimates reaching as high as 45,000. However, large groups of Mexico City residents organized themselves and began performing search & rescue operations. These volunteers are credited with more than 800 successful rescues; unfortunately, more than 100 of these untrained volunteers died during the 15 day rescue operation. The Los Angeles team deduced that a plan to train volunteers to help themselves and others was needed as an essential part of an overall, preparedness, survival, and recovery strategy.

The first Los Angeles CERT class was held in 1986, and the program expanded county wide in 1987. In 1993, FEMA decided to make the concept and program available to communities nationwide. FEMA's Emergency Management Institute, in cooperation with the Los Angeles Fire Department, expanded CERT materials to make them applicable to all hazards. With the establishment of the USA Freedom Corps, and its successor, the Citizens Corps, CERT programs were established in all 50 states & 3 territories. Beginning in 2003, the North Dakota CERT program operated under the guidance of the North Dakota League of Cities. Recently, responsibility for CERT has been transferred to the North Dakota Department of Emergency Services.

When a major disaster strikes, emergency professionals are often unable to reach a scene for several hours or even days. The purpose of CERT is to create neighborhood teams of citizens who can greatly improve survival chances by initiating and implementing learned disaster and rescue skills until emergency personnel can arrive. CERT is about readiness, people helping people while maintaining first responder safety. Volunteers are not trained to replace emergency personnel. Instead, the training is a positive and realistic approach to emergency and disaster situations where citizens may be initially on their own. The emphasis is on providing assistance and support in the critical first 72 hours after an incident.

During CERT training participants are taught to be able to take care of themselves, their family, and their neighbors in the event of a disaster...in that order. Therefore, if a person just wants to take the class so they can take care of themselves and their family, they will not be turned away.

CERT training consists of 16 to 20 hours that can be done in 2 days or spread out over the course of several days or weeks. The syllabus covers light search & rescue, basic first aid

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and medical operations, disaster psychology, and basic fire suppression. CERT is taught classroom style and there are also several hands-on components. Participants do activities such as use a fire extinguisher, practice bandaging & splinting, safely lifting large objects, etc. The class ends with a disaster simulation exercise that gives each student the chance to put into practice what they have learned. The instructors are generally first responders or graduates of previous CERT training classes.

Teen CERT is the same basic course, but with an emphasis on the hands-on activities. Teens will learn the same tasks and subjects as their adult counterparts. It is widely recognized that our youth are the next generation of responders, teachers, and leaders; therefore, in the future the North Dakota CERT program will focus recruitment efforts and financial support on Teen CERT.

The primary goal of NDDDES in regard to the CERT program is to provide the necessary resources to support Teen CERT. The rationale behind the emphasis on Teen CERT is that those graduates will work in their communities to:

- Assist family, friends, neighbors and classmates during emergencies or disasters
- Take an active role in emergency preparedness projects in their community
- Pursue careers in, or volunteer for, service and response disciplines
- Provide a life time of community service

A recurring theme in CERT training is to do the greatest amount of good, for the greatest amount of people, in the shortest amount of time. And while none of us can predict what the future holds, through the CERT and Teen CERT programs, we can certainly help North Dakota prepare for it.

For more information, please visit the NDDDES website: <http://www.nd.gov/des/get/citizen-corp/>.

July 11-13 NDDDES will offer CERT Train-the-Trainer

July 14-15 NDDDES will offer CERT Program Manager



Training and Exercise

The NDDDES Training and Exercise webpage, <http://www.nd.gov/des/training/>, provides information on training and educational opportunities for Homeland Security and emergency management professionals, their staffs, allied organizations, and individuals working together in emergencies and disasters to save lives and protect the property of the citizens of North Dakota.

The NDDDES Training and Events Calendar is located at <http://www.nd.gov/des/events/>. Information on upcoming training can be found by clicking on the name of the event. Events can be viewed in list view or calendar view. To register for local courses, please visit this page.

Also listed on the Training and Exercise webpage are links to Federal Training Partners and information on how to apply for courses offered by these organizations.

Other information available on the webpage is:

- Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP)
- Stipend Reimbursement Policy for SERTC Training
- NDDDES Training and Exercise Plan
- NDDDES Certified Instructors
- State Training Catalog
- Basic Radio 101 Course
- Resource Library

The Resource Library provides links to various training and exercise related sites and documents.

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Upcoming Training and Exercise Events

- ICS 300-400 Valley City—4/25/2016
- ICS 300 Fargo—5/2/2016
- L963 Planning Section Chief Position Specific Training—5/10/2016
- G235 Emergency Planning—5/17/2016
- ICS 400 Fargo—5/25/2016
- L212 Unified Hazard Mitigation Grant Assistance Application Development Course—6/7/2016
- Introduction to NDDDES—6/14/2016
- Risk Management for Interscholastic Athletics & After School Activities—6/14/2016
- AWR-140 Radiological/Nuclear Awareness—6/27/2016
- Cass-Clay Unified School Response: Mental Health in Youth—6/28/2016
- PER-240 WMD Radiological/Nuclear Responder Operations—6/28/2016